

Rig/Ant/Pwr

On-Air Training

Idaho Falls Bishops' Storehouse

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Last Week's Question

Respond to last week's question

- Who decides if an operators stays or goes?
- First responsibility to family and personal property
- It would be tough for me to leave if I noticed that my neighbor's basement was flooding as I drove away
- If you have an ERC calling (stake or ward ECS) you should contact your priesthood leader and/or respond as your units emergency plan directs.
- If the event is local, where will you skills be best served?
- If the event is out of your area, check in to a net and announce your availability
 - Do NOT self-deploy. One of the responsibilities of net control is to keep track of what resources are helping with the event. If you just show up to a stake center and start talking on the radio without formally checking in to the net and being assigned, you are putting yourself in danger and possibly others.

Training Introduction

Okay. For tonight's training, we are going to test your ability to copy information accurately and change frequency. The end result will be some hopefully useful information for all. If you have a computer near your radio or a mobile device with an internet connection, please get that fired up and open a browser.

Instructions

I am going to give you a link to an online survey. All stations will then change to their regional frequency and take the survey. If you cannot take the survey for some reason (because you don't have a computer handy or you don't have an internet connection, or you copied the link down incorrectly) then you will change to your regional simplex frequency and report your results to your regional net control.

If net control cannot get to the survey, please delegate that responsibility to someone in your region that can.

Again, this is an online survey—you will take it on your computer or mobile device.

For those of you that can get to the survey

- 1) Change to your regional frequency.
- 2) Take the survey.
- 3) And return to this frequency when instructed to do so by your regional net control.

Net control operators

- 1) Change to your regional frequency
- 2) Take the survey
- 3) Reload the link to the survey again
- 4) Call for operators that cannot get to the survey.
 - a. Ask them the questions
 - b. Record their responses by taking the survey for them
- 5) Go to step 3.
- 6) Instruct operators to return to this frequency
- 7) Report yourself to the Storehouse trainer

For those of you that cannot get to the survey,

- 1) You will change to your regional frequency
- 2) When net control calls for operators that cannot get to the survey, check in with your call sign
- 3) Respond to the questions he asks.
- 4) Return to this frequency when directed to do so.

Here is the link to the survey. I will read it several times. Please write it down.

Survey Link: <http://goo.gl/6QZZSa>

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I say again *[repeat the link two or three times]*

After all of the regions have reported back to this station, we will review the results together.

If there are any stations that have difficulty getting back to their regional frequency, you may return here and announce yourself with your call sign and I will help you with the survey.

In order to record your responses, make sure you click the button at the very bottom of the survey. It has an arrow pointing to the right, like a next page. Your responses will not be recorded unless you click it.

Take Survey

Are there any questions? Please come now with your call sign.

Okay. Proceed as instructed.

This is [call sign] conducting the training for the Idaho Falls Bishop's Storehouse ERC 2 meter net.

The trainer should take the survey and then ask if there are any operators on frequency that need assistance with the survey. Wait a few minutes and ask again.

Results

How many were using what types of radios?

How many were using what types of antennas?

How well were they heard?

Look at the cross-tabs.

Did people using a stock antenna have more difficulty communicating with net control?
Did people using lower power have more difficulty communicating with net control?

I will post the results of the survey on the ERC website for those that would like to review them later. In the meantime, thank you all for participating tonight. 73 to the net. This is N7TMS, back to net control.